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Dear Chair Arnold, Supervisors Mecham, Gibson, Hill, and Compton,

As we will be unable to personally attend the hearings on November 10th, we are writing to have our voices heard.

Item 7: Establishing Zone 19

No matter who manages the Paso Basin, a zone of benefit needs to be established. The county taxpayers should not be responsible for funding compliance with SGMA, those overlying the Paso Basin should. A zone of benefit will define what parcels should be assessed for funding.

Item 8: Special Tax Election to Fund SGMA Compliance

Please let the funding vote go before the people. Let those of us who will foot the bill make the decision.

If you do not advance this to a vote, you are implying you prefer the State to manage the Basin.

Item 9: Special Elections for Formation of a Paso Robles Basin Water District and Election of a Board of Directors

Again, please approve these elections so those of us affected are allowed to decide whether or not we want a water district, and if so, who we want to run it. If you do not allow us to vote, you are indicating that either you (as the Flood Control District) want to manage the Basin, or you prefer the State to take over management. This issue needs to go for a vote of the people.

Sincerely,  
Jan and Gary Seals  
Paso Basin Resident Overliers  
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Honorable members of the Board of Supervisors,

It has been a long process to arrive at this point, but I am happy to see you finally prepared to discuss allowing the residents of rural Paso Robles a vote on how to sustain the groundwater beneath their property.

#### Agenda item 7

Please approve the resolution and establish a zone of benefit for the Basin. No matter how water is finally managed here, identifying the area and enumerating the residents and parcels affected will be necessary to achieve and pay for that management.

#### Agenda item 8

Please approve all of the staff recommendations submitted to you. The funding proposal was worked out carefully with a lot of input from all manner of stakeholders. The formula may not be perfect, but it is certainly a lot better than anything else that has been suggested, and will serve as a reasonable way to fund the beginnings of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan. At some future date a pump tax that bases funding solely on the amount of water used, and the purposes to which it is put, may be more appropriate, but for now this system is fair and easy to implement. Whether water is eventually managed by an AB2453 Water District or by the County Flood Control District, this money will be needed to fulfill the SGMA requirements, so please allow us - the residents overlying the Basin - a voice in how we want the process funded.

I also urge you to approve an inquiry to the State Water Resources Control Board asking how they they would proceed and fund their management activities should local residents refuse to support local SGMA compliance. This is information that, as voters, we need to make informed decisions at the polls, and

I sincerely believe you should help your constituents by requesting that information for us.

Agenda item 9

The LAFCO process is completed and that body has approved submitting the question of forming a new Water District to the voters. Please approve this set of your staff's recommendations, and send the questions on to us. Voters are the ultimate authority, and are the body that should finally decide these questions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Michael Baugh  
Resident landowner

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